

PATENT APPLICATION

Combined DECLARATION for Patent Application
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(Includes reference to PCT International Applications)

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Docket No. T4903

As below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residences, post office addresses and citizenship are as stated below next to our names,

-- We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **GENERATION, CHARACTERIZATION, AND ISOLATION OF NEUROEPITHELIAL STEM CELLS AND LINEAGE RESTRICTED INTERMEDIATE PRECURSOR**, the specification of which (check only one item below):

[] is attached hereto.

[X] was filed as United States application Serial No. 08/852,744, on May 7, 1997,
and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

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We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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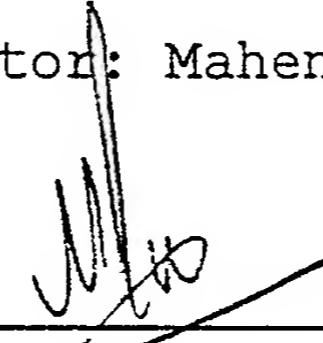
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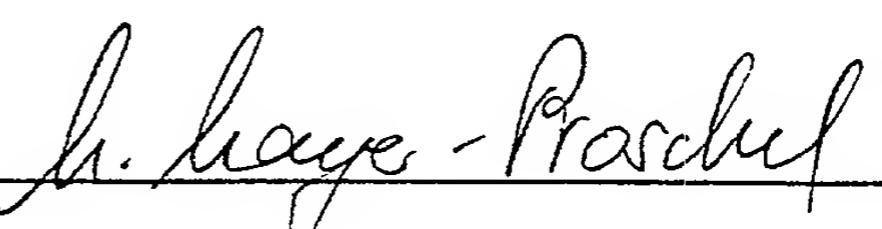
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